

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0024] A content broker hosting service is disclosed that includes a broker module configured to facilitate the management of digital content of an Internet user. The content broker hosting service supports a single sign-on user account that permits a subscriber to login to the content broker hosting service and other third party content providers that permit the sign-on credentials to be “federated” and used on their respective sites. Users may purchase content on the content hosting service site or from third party providers. The content hosting service maintains a directory of the devices a subscriber owns and of the content purchased. The rights usage policies and associated license keys are maintained on the hosting service to provide a digital “proof of purchase” for the content. In the event the content is lost by the subscriber, or if the subscriber chooses to change digital rights policies associated with the content, the broker hosting service may communicate with third party providers and negotiate for replacement content on the user’s behalf.